

Allen, Lucas say party's endorsement not crucial

By John D. Milazzo
Staff affiliate

COLLINSVILLE — Two incumbent Madison County officials who did not win the endorsement of the Democratic Party last week are downplaying its importance.

The Democratic Central Committee Executive Council, meeting Wednesday at Charlie's Restaurant in Granite City, did not endorse incumbent State's Attorney Dick Allen and incumbent Recorder of Deeds Rink Lucas, who is seeking a fifth term.

Allen later blamed Mac Warfield, head of the county Democratic Party, for cutting a deal that lost Allen the party's nod.

Lucas, giving his version of a scuffle that took place after the slating, said he didn't land the first blow.

Lucas said he is confident that he will win re-election despite losing the endorsement to Daniel Donohoo, a County Board member from Wood River.

Lucas said there are numerous and significant precedents for candidates in the county bucking the slating system, "and winning without the party's approval."

Lucas cited election wins by County Clerk Evelyn Bowles in 1974 and former Regional Superintendent of Schools Wilbur Trimpe in the 1980s.

And those were back in the days when the party was a lot stronger than it is now.

Lucas, a close political ally of former county Democratic Chairman Christ Costoff, said, "The way it came out, the southeast end of the county ended up getting nothing" out of the slating.

Although Lucas downplayed the strategic importance of the party blessing, he was angered enough at the loss to become engaged in a fight at the restaurant only minutes after the vote which gave Donohoo the endorsement.

After leaving the room where the slating process was held, Lucas said he approached a table of people including Illinois House Majority Leader Jim McPike. Allen, Lucas said he believes McPike is one of the chief architects of a political "deal" that denied him the endorsement.

"I told him it was a damned shame there is so little time left for filing (nominating petitions) and that he was running unopposed. If there were more time, left I'd be making sure he had some opposition," Lucas said he told McPike.

Lucas said the fight erupted when East Allen attorney Tom Lakin, a friend of McPike's at the

table, told Lucas to, "buzz off, or something like that."

"I grabbed his arm to turn him around to hear what it was he had to say and he came around swinging. He hit me in the chin," Lucas said.

Lakin, reached on Thursday, acknowledged there was a scuffle that resulted in an adjacent table being dumped onto several patrons. But he denied Lucas' account of how the incident started.

"He (Lucas) took hold of Jim's hand and wouldn't let go," Lakin said. It was a situation where emotions were running very high.

"I regret it and I'm sure he regrets it," Lakin said.

Allen, who lost the endorsement for state's attorney to Michael Attorney Bill Haine, also points out that Democrats — including McPike, County Treasurer Michael "Mick" Henkhaus and Sheriff Bob Churchich — have won election without the party endorsement.

However, county political observers acknowledge that the situations of Allen and Lucas are different. Those other Democratic candidates who won without the party's endorsement were in their first attempts at office. Denying an incumbent the endorsement is unprecedented,

they said.

Allen on Friday defended himself against renewed charges by Haine that Allen "has been an aberration" in a tradition of Democratic competence in the state's attorney's office.

Allen said Haine has been part of a deal involving County Democratic Chairman Mac Warfield, Granite City, who Allen said pressed for the endorsement of Haine and Donohoo.

Allen said Warfield, as chairman, has direct control over "appointment of nearly all of the central committee executive council" and had lobbied for Haine and Donohoo in exchange for Alton and Wood River area support of Granite City 4th Ward Alderwoman Sharon Perjak.

Allen said Warfield favored Perjak for the party endorsement for auditor and that he believed Warfield "miscalculated" council support for Fred Bathon, a deputy in Auditor Pete Field's office. Bathon won the nomination.

Neither Warfield nor Haine could be reached for a response.

Allen said the alleged deal engineered by Warfield calls for precinct committees to move to northern part of the county to support Warfield when he seeks another term as county chairman after the March primary.

Perjak hesitates on withdrawing from race

By Dave Gosnell
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Fourth Ward Alderwoman Sharon Perjak said she "probably" won't campaign for the Madison County auditor nomination but hasn't decided whether to leave her name on the ballot.

Perjak was narrowly defeated in an endorsement vote taken by the Madison County Democratic Party Central Committee at Charlie's Restaurant Wednesday night. She was defeated by Fred Bathon, Madison City, who was elected assistant to Madison County Auditor Pete Fields.

Fields is not seeking re-election because he is running for the 21st Congressional District seat.

"It was close, but not close enough. I'm really not disappointed," Perjak said of the

vote. "I waited so long to decide and I'm sure that had something to do with it."

Perjak said she was nonetheless pleased with the support she received at the Democrats' meeting.

"It was a big step," Perjak said of her interest in the auditor's job, her first attempt at seeking a county office.

It would be difficult to finance a countywide campaign without the Central Committee's endorsement, Perjak said. But she said she had not decided whether to withdraw her name from an election petition filed at the Madison County Courthouse.

"I'm in no hurry. You never know what might happen" before Jan. 14, the last day to withdraw election petitions for the March 15 primary, she said. She added, "I want to leave my options open."

Programs, improvements cited for Cencom increase

By Valerie Evenden
Staff writer

A post-holiday increase of \$2.50 in basic cable television rates for local viewers has been announced by Cencom Cable Television.

Cencom holds cable television franchises in area communities and alerted officials to the increase last week.

The current rate for basic service in the Granite City area is \$10.95 per month. This will go up to \$13.45 on Jan. 1.

The local senior citizen discount will remain at \$2. Subscribers pay extra for premium channels in addition to the basic rate.

Dave Troxel, Cencom of Illinois general manager, said his company's basic monthly rate still remains one of the lowest in the Metro East area and is the sole cable TV service offering discounts to seniors.

Substantial increases in programming costs and an aggressive Illinois service improvement program were cited by

Troxel as reasons for the rate adjustment.

Since acquiring the Illinois system one year ago, Cencom has invested about \$2.5 million to improve the system's signal and picture quality, increase service and repair capabilities, and expand its programming options, Troxel said.

The company has budgeted about \$2 million for additional Illinois service improvements in 1988, including improvements in the Maryville phone system to provide subscribers with convenient access to customer service representatives.

A 24-hour answering service also is planned in 1988, Troxel said.

Among the complaints most frequently heard from local cable subscribers is the inability to reach Cencom representatives by telephone when service is interrupted or other matters need to be discussed, municipal officials have noted.

Troxel said Cencom has increased the value of its cable service.

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Plan Commission seat open

By Dave Gosnell
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — An opening on the city Plan Commission has been created by the resignation of Plan Commission member Dave McFarland.

McFarland resigned his seat at Thursday's commission meeting.

Mayor Von Dee Cruse said he had no one in mind for a replacement.

"If anybody's interested in serving, contact me," Cruse said.

Cruse was asked at a recent "mayor's forum" why most Plan

Commission members he has appointed are businessmen.

Cruse said he would consider appointing someone other than a businessman.

"Being a business person isn't something you've got to be on planning and zoning," Cruse said.

A resignation letter by McFarland to Cruse stated that McFarland resigned because of family health matters and because he needed more time to devote to his heating business.

Cruse said he did not know when he would name a new member to the nine-member commission.



Shooting some hoops

WARMING UP: Gerald Booker takes advantage of the unseasonably warm weather and shoots a layup at Wilson Park Friday as the temperature reached 56 degrees. The warmth is temporary though, with snow expected Monday night.

TIF bonds OK'd in Pontoon

By Valerie Evenden
Staff writer

PONTOON BEACH — A slim margin of votes, bolstered by a legal opinion from the village attorney, enabled trustees Dec. 9 to approve issuing \$3,185,000 in

tax increment bonds, Taxable Series.

The bonds are intended to finance Chouteau Trace I, a 68-acre development on the west side of Illinois 111 south of Interstate 270.

Two roll call votes split the board on suspending rules to place the bond ordinance on first reading and finally to adopt the measure.

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Jason's education costs 12 times more than others

By Bill Bagby
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Taxpayers will pay about \$36,160 per year to educate Jason Robertson, 7, in the portable classroom at the new Logan Elementary School in School District 9. The amount more than 10 times greater than it costs to educate other district pupils.

Jason's education costs to area taxpayers will be about \$16,180 after payment of federal and state funds for the program, Owca said.

An average student costs \$3,468 to educate. But to give Jason an education it takes over \$36,000.

The cost will be paid by Region 1, in which Jason is enrolled. The region receives funding from the Granite City, Venice and Madison school dis-

tricts, along with state and federal money. District 9's share of the \$16,180 will be 82 percent, or \$13,270, he said.

Salary for Jason's teacher, Jamie Johnson, is \$15,000 yearly, Owca said. Classroom nurse, Myrienne Kriz, will receive \$11,700, he said. About \$13,000 of their salaries will be paid by the federal government and \$2,800 from the state.

Classroom social worker Frances Luther will receive \$4,000 a year, and janitor Rodney Williams will get \$2,160, Owca said.

The higher cost of educating special education students is due to state educational requirements mandated by law, Owca said.

"The state tells us we have to do it," he said. "We have no choice. We're mandated by law."

The \$36,160 cost to educate Jason is "exceptional," Owca

said.

The district will be able to afford it's share of the cost, Owca said. He said the cost of educating Jason is less than some other special education students, Owca said.

Last year, \$20,000 was spent to educate a behaviorally disordered student at the Educational Therapy Center in Edwardsville, Owca said. This year, \$15,000 is being spent to educate an autistic child in another school district, he said.

Owca said the average cost to transport a student to and from school in District 9, after state reimbursement, is 51 cents per pupil. For a special education student, the amount is \$4.58, he said.

So far, approximately \$7,578 has been spent to educate Jason in the portable classroom. These costs include expenses of preparing the classroom.

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Thursday, Dec. 13, 1987
Bitter sub-zero cold hovered over the Quad Cities and scores of motorists were stranded by dead batteries and frozen radiators. Garages reported an overload of service calls and city officials warned residents to take safety measures against the cold.

Quad City

License plate deadline near

Secretary of State Jim Edgar has reminded motor vehicle owners with passenger vehicle plates expiring in December to buy their renewal stickers and/or new plates at a Secretary of State facility or a financial institution. It is now too late to send applications by mail and receive stickers and plates before the Dec. 31 expiration date.

Stickers and/or plates for non-leased passenger vehicles are available at Secretary of State facilities in Springfield and at 5401 N. Elston in Chicago.

Recreational vehicle, recreational trailer, school bus, municipal bus, farm machinery and farm trailer plates for 1988 are also available.

Tow truck plates are available at two Springfield facilities and at 5401 N. Elston in Chicago. All other 1988 calendar miscellaneous plates, including those for commuter vans and fertilizer spreaders, may only be purchased at the Centennial Building in Springfield.

Effective Friday, Jan. 1, 1988, anyone driving one of the above vehicles with expired stickers or plates will be subject to a fine for improper registration.

Edgar also announced that the deadline to display 1988 calendar-year Illinois apportionment plates on trucks, truck tractors, buses and trailers under the International Registration Plan, and prorate base plates and decals, has been extended to midnight Feb. 29, in accord with the other 38 states and one Canadian province that are jurisdictional members of the plan.



100 years young

(Staff photo by Patrick Foley)

CELEBRATING HER 100TH: Family members join Rose Chapman, 2449 Adams St., celebrate her 100th birthday Dec. 4. With the centenarian are her son, George Chapman, and her granddaughter, Ellen Voyles, principal of Wilson School. The fourth generation of the family, Voyles son, Mark, was not able to attend the celebration. Mrs. Chapman was born in 1887, when Grover Cleveland was serving his first term as president of the United States.

Library will note 75 years

Dec. 16 will mark the 75th anniversary of the Granite City Public Library. On that date in 1912, the library began loaning books to city residents from a collection of almost 1,000 volumes.

The first public library was located at 19th Street and Delmar Avenue on the second floor of the Judd and Gonterman Building. Nina Steinhilber was librarian at that time.

Nine years later, the library relocated to the Karandeff Building on Nedringhaus Avenue. On Nov. 6, 1929, dedication ceremonies were held for the present main library building at 2001 Delmar Ave.

Library Director Bob Stack said, "Today, this community is served by the adult and children's departments at the main library and by the bookmobile and branch library."

The Granite City Public Libraries now loan more books in one day than were contained in the entire collection when the library first opened in 1912.

"Public library service here in the future will be further enhanced by the automation of book borrowing, the computerization of library catalogs, and the opening of the new branch library."

Hearing on price of monthly bus passes

On Monday, Dec. 14, at 7 p.m. a public hearing will be held in the St. Clair Government Center, Room B-564, at 10 Public Square, Belleville, to allow public comment on a proposal to increase the price of the green Bi-State monthly pass from \$18 to \$22.

The green pass is valid for unlimited riding during the month of issuance on Illinois local Bi-State bus routes.

The increase is scheduled to take effect Jan. 1, 1988, and is at the request of the Illinois transit districts of St. Clair and Madison counties, which provide Illinois bus service through contracts with the Bi-State Development Agency.

Fares on Illinois local routes are 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children, elderly and disabled.

The hearing will also allow comment on the \$1.25 adult fare that is in effect on new Mascoutah and New Baden Express routes that began Nov. 30.

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Band concert to be Tuesday

GRANITE CITY — The Grigsby Junior High School band will present its first concert of the season at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 15, in the school gymnasium.

The program will be conducted by Joe Owens, Grigsby band director.

Kristi Reed will be the featured soloist. Reed is a former Grigsby band member and now performs with the Granite City High School marching and concert bands. She is studying saxophone with Dr. George McElroy at SIUE.

Reed will perform "Nightfall" by Morrissey.

Other selections to be performed are: "Silvercrest" concert march by Swearington; "Il Re Pastore" Overture by Mozart, arranged by Barnes; "Overture De Sonora" by Ployhar; "Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame" arranged by Jennings; "Ding! Dong! Merrily on High" by Ployhar; "White Christmas" by Berlin, arranged by Warrington; "Frosty the Snowman" by Nelson and Rollin; and "March on America" by Walters.



Kristi Reed

Shriners collect more than \$63,000 in third annual paper sale/giveaway

Almad Shrine Temple raised more than \$63,000 in its third annual Paper Sale/Giveaway for the benefit of Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children.

Shriners from throughout Southern Illinois covered the 36 southernmost counties of the state. The Shriners gave out eight-page newspapers, telling the story of the free care offered by Shriners hospitals. The Shriners were red lezards and yellow vests as the people of Southern Illinois filled donation buckets.

Potential Randy Burton presented \$63,000 to Gene Braxwell, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children, Tampa, Fla. Also present was James W.

Smith, board chairman of the St. Louis unit.

Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children form a network of 22 hospitals located throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico.

Children up to the age of 18 are treated absolutely free regardless of race, creed or religion to a Shriner. Nineteen of the hospitals are designed for orthopedic care, while the remaining three specialize in burns treatment.

For more information on Shriners or Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children, persons may contact Almad Shrine Temple, 608 St. Louis Ave., East St. Louis, Ill. 62201 or call 874-1870.

Surplus food will be given

Officials in Chouteau, Nameoki, and Venice Townships and the Salvation Army have announced that surplus government commodities will be distributed this month.

Distribution dates are Dec. 16 and 17 at the various sites, officials said.

Commodities will include processed cheese, rice, butter, dry milk, honey, cornmeal and flour. The rice, dry milk, honey, cornmeal and flour are under short supply and persons will be asked to take their choice of one.

All products will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis by ticket number received at the door.

To be eligible to receive commodities, persons must be residents of the township where they are getting them. They must be the head of a household or the spouse, have their Social Security

number, and sign an affidavit that their total household income is within the guidelines.

Recipients are to bring some proof of residency other than a drivers license or voter registration card. An unpaid utility bill, a property tax statement, a current rent receipt with the address or a public aid card or medical card is adequate, officials said.

Monthly income guidelines are as follows: one-person family, \$573; two in the family, \$771; three persons, \$969; four persons, \$1,167; five persons, \$1,365; six persons, \$1,563; seven persons, \$1,760; eight persons, \$1,958; and \$196 for each additional member of the household.

Chouteau Township will start its distribution at 8 a.m. Dec. 17 at the Chouteau Township Social Center, 906 Thorngate Drive, Mitchell.

Venice Township will give out commodities at 9 a.m. Dec. 16 at Englebert Hall, 10th Street and Washington Avenue. Madison Township officials said commodities will be given only at the hall and recipients must present a signed affidavit before receiving the commodities.

Nameoki Township will give out commodities starting at 7:30 a.m. Dec. 16 at the township building, 4250 Illinois 162.

The Salvation Army, 3007 E. 23rd St., will conduct its distribution of surplus food to Granite City Township residents Dec. 16 starting at 8 a.m.

Officials said that honey should not be given to children younger than 18 months of age.

There is no discrimination against groups of any kind in the food distribution program.

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EXTRICATION IN PROGRESS: Granite City Fire Department rescue personnel work to free the passenger of this car involved in a two-car crash at 23rd Street and Cleveland Blvd. Tuesday afternoon.

Four injured in two-car accident Tuesday

GRANITE CITY — Four people were injured Tuesday in a two-car accident about 2:36 p.m. at 23rd Street and Cleveland Boulevard.

Driver Sandra R. Strubberg, 18, 2552 Adams St., was going east on 23rd Street when a car, driven by Kimberly G. Schaleben, 22, Lebanon, going south on

Cleveland drove into the intersection.

Strubberg said she applied her brakes, but could not stop in time to avoid the collision. Her car left a 44-foot skid mark.

Schaleben said she had observed a stop sign at the intersection before the accident. Both she and her passenger, Michelle

Bywater, 19, St. Louis, were taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where they were treated and released.

Also treated at SEMC were Strubberg and her passenger, Darlene F. Strubberg, 47, also of 2552 Adams. Schaleben was charged with failure to yield the right of way at an intersection.

Granite City police

Two vehicles entered

A pickup truck and a car parked in the driveway at the home of Joseph Valencia, 2535 E. 27th St., were entered by a thief who stole a tri-fold leather wallet valued at \$50 and a pair of women's gloves. The wallet contained a credit card and miscellaneous papers, the owner reported Dec. 4.

Traffic warrant served

Mark Edward Hartman, 28, 3340 Redbud Ave., was arrested Dec. 4 at a tavern in the 900 block of Nidringhaus Avenue on a Granite

Madison County sheriff targeted by employee's suit

A lawsuit filed last week by a female jailer claims Madison County Sheriff Bob Churchich demoted her in violation of an agreement with Churchich's predecessor as sheriff, Emil Tofant.

Lt. Joyce M. Rathmann, Granite City, an employee of the sheriff's department since 1978, said she was removed as assistant jail superintendent in February 1987 after Churchich became sheriff.

Rathmann said Churchich's action violates an agreement with Tofant which was part of the settlement of an earlier sex discrimination suit Rathmann had filed.

As part of the agreement, Rathmann was promoted from sergeant to lieutenant and given the title of assistant jail superintendent, Churchich said.

She seeks a ruling that Churchich breached the agreement, and also seeks an order that she be restored to her former position.

Churchich said Wednesday that Rathmann lost no pay and no responsibilities, only a title. He said the position of assistant jail superintendent is not authorized by the sheriff's merit commission.

Churchich said Rathmann is one of three lieutenants in charge during each of three daily shifts. Each is supervised by Capt. Robert Hertz, jail superintendent, Churchich said.

Churchich said Rathmann's primary complaint apparently is that she sometimes has to perform matron's duties.

"If she is the only female working at the time and a female prisoner is brought in, she would be expected to perform that function," Churchich said.

He has been pressing the County Board for additional funding to hire more jail personnel. He said Wednesday the first person he would hire if funds were available would be a matron.

"We are a matron short, there's no doubt," he said.

A recent survey by the Illinois Department of Corrections resulted in a recommendation that the county hire six additional jail personnel.

City warrant alleging failure to appear on a charge of not having a valid auto registration. He posted \$52 cash bail.

Door glass shattered

The front door glass was shattered at Bill and Millie's Coin and Stamps Shop, 2800 Iowa St., an officer on patrol discovered at 1:20 a.m. Dec. 5. Entry into the shop apparently was not gained.

Rifle, telescope gone

A .22 caliber semi-automatic Remington rifle valued at \$135, a Bushnell rifle scope worth \$10 and a blue jean jacket valued at \$40 were stolen from a pickup truck parked in front of the home of Richard M. Zabawa, 210 E. 24th St., he reported on Dec. 4. A window vent was broken to get inside the truck.



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Cars collide downtown

Jesse R. Laws, 51, 2227 Dewey Ave., was injured, but not hospitalized, after his car collided with a pickup truck driven by Fred O. Bilyeu, 42, 4853 Maple Ave., at 12:13 p.m. Dec. 2 at 20th Street and Delmar Avenue.

Laws was going west on 20th and Bilyeu was going south on Delmar. Bilyeu was issued a ticket for failure to yield the right of way.

Burglar takes \$2,500 from Gateway Academy

A burglar took \$1,500 cash and \$1,000 in checks from the Gateway Christian Academy, 2067 Benton St., about 4 p.m. Dec. 2.

The money was discovered missing from an office at the school after a security guard for Kestle Co., 2101 Adams St., found a bank bag from the school in front of the District 9 Board of Education office, 20th and Adams streets.

A trail of coins led from the board office to the middle of the 1900 block of Adams Street. A patrolman went to the school and met Mark Warren, who discovered two metal cash boxes were also missing. He said the boxes and bag contained tuition and clothing order money. The metal boxes were later found empty in back of the school.

Parked car burglarized

Terrance Roderick, 2254 Washington Ave., said this week his car was broken into while it was parked in front of his apartment. Taken were a radar detector, cassette tapes and an electric shaver.

Motorist injured as his auto strikes utility post

Brian C. Blackwell, 22, 42 Briarview Drive, was injured when he lost control of his car and it struck a utility pole and a tree at 142 Briarwood Drive at 2:15 a.m. Dec. 5. He was taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Blackwell swerved the car to avoid hitting a dog which ran into the road, he said. The impact split the light pole and shattered the light.

Damage was estimated at \$150. Blackwell was ticketed for failing to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

Coin tray, \$36 missing

About \$36 in a coin tray was stolen from Gitchco Gas Service Station, 3300 Nameoki Road, Dec. 4. The thief reached through a

broken window near a door to get into the building.

Burglar enters garage

In a garage burglary at the home of Robert Jackson, 1511 Clark Ave., reported Dec. 4, a battery valued at \$54 was taken from a car parked inside the garage.

Thief takes LP tanks

Two LP gas tanks valued at \$315 were stolen from the mobile home of Bill Frost, 2306 Logan Ave., he reported Dec. 4. The tanks were secured with bolts and screws, he said.

Missing also were a bottle regulator and automatic changeover unit valued at \$38, three gas hoses and fittings worth \$20, and a tank cover and tank bar valued at \$34.

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Tuesday - Spaghetti and meat sauce, green beans, apple sauce.
Wednesday - Fried chicken, tater tots, buttered vegetables, fruit cup.
Thursday - Taco with cheese, lettuce, tomato, buttered vegetables, fruit cup.
Friday - Fish sandwich on bun, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, choice of fruit cup.
Madison Public Schools
Monday - Beef and gravy, whipped potatoes, glazed carrots, pudding.
Tuesday - Sausage and shells, corn, fruit roll-up.
Wednesday - Chili and crackers, peanut butter bread, carrot and celery sticks, peaches.
Thursday - Sliced turkey, dressing, whipped potatoes, green beans, cherry pie.
Friday - Manager's choice.
Vanice Public Schools
Monday - Beef ravioli, mixed vegetables, chocolate cake.
Tuesday - Hamburger, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, pineapple chunks.
Wednesday - Grilled cheese, vegetable soup, crackers, carrot sticks, pears.
Thursday - Hot dog on bun, baked beans, cookies.
Friday - Tuna salad, corn, fruit cocktail.
Sacred Heart/St. Joseph
Monday - Cheeseburger, tater tots, pickles, peas, fruit cocktail.
Tuesday - Taco, mixed vegetables, peanut butter cracker, cake, strawberry jello.
Wednesday - Spaghetti with meat sauce, corn, sliced cheese, celery and carrot sticks, lemon pudding.
Thursday - Turkey roast, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, lettuce, cherry muffins.
Friday - Nachos and cheese, mixed vegetables, slaw, peanut butter bread, chocolate pudding.
St. Elizabeth
Monday - Hot dog, baked beans, potato chips, pudding.
Tuesday - Hamburger, french fries, vegetables, jello parafait.
Wednesday - Nachos with

cheese, celery and carrot sticks, blueberry muffin.
Thursday - Chicken noodle soup, toasted cheese sandwich, chocolate chip bars.
Friday - Pizza, vegetables, cookie, fruit.
St. Margaret Mary
Monday - Beef ravioli, corn, sliced cheese, celery and carrot sticks, raisins, peanuts.
Tuesday - Barbecue beef patty on bun, french fries, peas, pickles, pudding.
Wednesday - Chili or chili mac, crackers, sliced cheese, slaw, pineapple.
Thursday - Pizza, mixed vegetables, celery and carrot sticks, cherries.
Friday - Toasted cheese sandwich, tomato soup, slaw, jello.
St. Mary's, Madison
Monday - Pizza, salad, mixed vegetables, peanuts.
Tuesday - Hamburger, gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, raisins.
Wednesday - Pizzaburgers, baked beans, potato chips, apple sauce.
Thursday - Southern fried chicken, french fries, green beans, cookie.
Friday - Nachos with cheese, fish sticks, corn, peaches.
Senior Citizens
Monday - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, pudding.
Tuesday - Lasagna, chef salad, rolls, applesauce.
Wednesday - Baked chicken, rice florentine, carrots, plums.
Thursday - Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, zucchini and tomatoes, coffee cake.
Friday - Fried fish, baked potato, cole slaw, lemon dessert.
Head Start
Monday - Taco with meat, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, pineapple.
Tuesday - Ham, northern beans, tomatoes and cucumbers, fruit cocktail, corn bread.
Thursday - Vegetable soup, hologna and cheese sandwich, crackers, apple.
Friday - Turkey, gravy, dressing, green beans, potatoes, cranberry sauce, Christmas cookie.



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WEAVING WHEAT — Joan Moulton of Granite City begins making a wall ornament in a wheat weaving class during Saturday Experience at the Granite City Campus of Belleville Area College. Saturday Experience is a collection of special interest workshops offered during the fall at the campus, located at 4350 Maryville Road.

Banquet set at center

GRANITE CITY — Students at the Educational Therapy Center (ETC) will celebrate Christmas with a banquet on Thursday, Dec. 17, beginning at noon.

"The students will prepare a traditional holiday feast with all the trimmings," said Robert Burkett, ETC coordinator.

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Christmas books offer children holiday values

By Jane Cosby
Staff affiliate

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There are many children's books about Christmas and giving that can help parents instill in their children values and traditions that stay within the origins of the holiday.

"This Christmas find some books to read and discuss with your children for a lesson in your family values. Before reading a book with your children, survey it entirely because you want to be sure that you agree completely with the values that are illustrated in it."

Two books that are certainly classics in children's literature are "Amahl and the Night Visitors" and "The Polar Express." Like other classics, they appeal to children and adults alike.

"Amahl and the Night Visitors" by Gian Carlo Menotti (William Morrow and Co. Inc., \$19), tells the story of a poor, crippled shepherd boy who is visited by the Three Kings on their journey to find the Christ child. It is the story of a simple gift, a miracle, forgiveness and love. It is tenderly illustrated by Michele Lemieux in bright watercolors.

"The Polar Express" by Chris Van Allsburg (Houghton Mifflin Co., \$15.95), is different from most Christmas storybooks. The illustrations are stark and even a trifle frightening, but they transport you completely into the story.

Imagine waking up Christmas Eve to a train standing in front of your house waiting to take you to the North Pole to see Santa off on his annual trek. It is a magical story about the reality of Santa Claus, one your children are sure to request over and over.

Toddlers are not too young to learn about giving and celebrating Christmas in a simple fashion. "The Monster in the Cave" by Nicholas Heller (Greenwillow Books, \$11.95) tells how a little boy solves the dilemma of what to give a monster for Christmas and shows the joy of giving to others.

"Little Tree" (Crown Publishers, \$9.95), is an illustration by Deborah Kogan Ray of E.E. Cummings poem about a bedraggled Christmas tree that becomes beautiful when decorated by a little boy and girl.

"Merry Christmas, Ernest and Celestine" by Gabriele Vincent (Mulberry Books, \$3.95), shows

that money and fancy decorations are not what make a party. Imagination, good friends and Christmas spirit are all that is necessary.

Two books by Tomie dePaola, "The Miracles of Jesus" and "The Parables of Jesus" (Holiday House, \$14.95 each), can provide a means of sharing with children aspects of Christianity that may be difficult to understand. Each parable and miracle is presented as a short story and illustrated in geometric, childlike pictures.

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Club celebrates 10th anniversary

Public service and a keen dedication to sight and hearing conservation are the achievements that emerge when looking at the successful efforts put forth by the Pontoon Beach Lionsess Club since its inception, a spokesman said.

"We Serve Too" is the motto of the group, which was chartered Aug. 8, 1977. Under the sponsorship of the Pontoon Beach Lions Club, The Pontoon Beach women's organization was the first Lionsess Club to be chartered in the Lions District 1-G. The club's accomplishments have benefited many persons in the Quad City area, a spokesman said.

In addition to its primary purpose involving the conservation of sight and hearing, club members devote their efforts to environmental and health issues, citizenship, recreations, along with educational pursuits, along with public service.

Throughout the 10 years of its existence, an estimated \$23,516 has been donated by the Lionsesses toward sight and hearing conservation; \$22,920 for projects pertaining to children in the Quad City area; and \$86,325 toward other community service projects.

A variety of fund-raising activities were held during the first five years of the club's existence, however, in the past five years the major source of funds have come from sponsoring bingo games, held Tuesday nights at the St. Gregory Armenian Community Center.

Lionsesses have volunteered their services in blood drives and fund-raisers for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, the American Cancer Society, and the American Diabetes Association. "They also work in conjunction with the Pontoon Beach Lions in the annual candy day and hearing-aids projects, eye-donor registry, glaucoma unit, eyeglass collections and the Journey for Sight Bike-A-Thon.

For the past seven years, usually on the first weekend in May, the Lionsesses have held their caramel corn day from which all proceeds benefit those with visual or hearing impairments. A total of \$16,136 has been donated through this project alone.

The club has sponsored a Halloween parade in Pontoon Beach during the past seven years, with an average of 150 youngsters taking part each year. In 1984, the club started sponsoring an annual Easter egg hunt, with attendance being in the thousands.

For about seven years, the Lionsesses have furnished food and toys for 100 to 150 holiday baskets distributed in the community by the Lions.

Easter baskets and gifts of fresh fruit, school supplies, and accessories were delivered to the Alton Children's Home for three years. However, in the last three years, the Lionsesses have purchased presents in lieu of exchanging personal holiday gifts for the children at Christmas, along with stockings filled with candy and fresh fruit. Last year "children came to Pontoon Beach where a Christmas party was held in their honor at the Lions Den II.

Benefit fashion shows, combined with an advertising book, were sponsored for three years with proceeds being sent to the St. Elizabeth Medical Center's pediatric department, Hospice and Meals on Wheels programs. The club's current donations still include programs at SEMC.

In 1982, the club established a \$500 scholarship fund at the Illinois University at Edwardsville as part of its annual Honor Day awards program. The grant has been made each year to an undergraduate student with a

Marriage licenses

Marriage licenses issued through the office of Evelyn Bowles, Madison County clerk, to Quad City Area residents include:

Benjamin Franklin Arnold and Kelly Elaine Boyer, David Alan Bell and Theresa Angelle Park, William A. Daigler and Hazel Wier, James H. Eberhart Jr. and Victoria S. McGowan, Jeffrey W. Guentherberger and Susan R. Beasley, all of Granite City.

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Bobby D. Wofford and Phyllis A. Turner, both of Madison; Mahmoud Mohammad Faber, New York, N.Y., and Amina Abdallah Mohsen, Granite City; Stephen T. Mace, Granite City, and Patricia A. Dell-bring, St. Louis.

Jack Mitalovich, Granite City, and Cheryl Edith Ferrell, Edwardsville.

Gregory A. Stoicheff, Madison, and Lisa M. Griffey, Granite City.



THE FIRST PRESIDENT of the Pontoon Beach Lionsess Club, Charlotte Fowler, left, and Richard McIntosh, right, sponsoring Lion's Club president at the time of charter, pose during a recent celebration of the Lionsess Club's 10th anniversary.

declared major in the SIUE Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology; preferably a resident of Madison County. Also in 1984, a \$500 scholarship program was set up with the Granite City Center of Belleville Area College.

In 1983, the Lionsess Club aided the Pontoon Beach Lions in forming a Leos Club in the village. Lionsess Betty Johnson is currently the Leos co-advisor. Local members of the club also aided in establishing the Edwardsville and Venice Lionsess clubs.

Since the establishment of a sight and sound committee in 1985, chaired by Lionsess Barry Dyer, the club has helped individuals by purchasing eyeglasses, hearing aids, a masker for a hearing aid and rental fee for a teleprinter.

Locally, the Lionsesses have donated monies to help the Long Lake Volunteer Fire Department purchase kitchen appliances, video equipment, a new Hertz cutting tool for the "Jaws of Life," a Keds backpack (four years ago it was the only one in the area), shock pants, smoke detectors, and adult and child mannequins for CPR training.

For the Pontoon Beach Police Department, the club has donated toward radar equipment, uniforms, a computer system, walkie talkies, radio equipment and for other items the department felt they needed in assisting the community.

The club has 26 active members, eight of whom are wives of Lions. The club mascot is Jessica Papp, daughter of Lionsess Kelley Papp. President of the club is Sylvia Theis. Past presidents include Linda Lelenewski, LaVerne Malynski, Lynn Votupal, Dolores Kieffer, Judy Wason, Linda Schermer, Nancy

Goodwin, Cindy Niepert and Charlotte Fowler. "Lioness of the Year" honors for distinguished dedication and service have been awarded to Charlotte Fowler, Cindy Niepert, the late Thelma Dean, Barbara Brawley, Debra Durbin, Linda Lelenewski, Charlotte Minks, Barbara Murphy, Ada Conklin and Sylvia Theis.

Lynn Squires, a Lion's club member, serves as liaison officer between the Lionsesses and the Lions.

During the 16 years that the Pontoon Beach Lionsess Club has been in existence, it has donated to the Quad City area a total of \$132,861, not including the time and effort it has taken in developing and making its service projects work.

The club's anniversary was recently celebrated at the Lion's Den. Present were Gov. Ray Cooney and his wife, Ruth, from District 1-G; Deputy District Gov. Tom Stults and his wife, Kathy, from Region 3; Lt. Gov. Maurice Vahle and his wife, Virginia, from District 1-G; Deputy District Gov. Frank Gramer from District 1-G; Pontoon Beach Lion's Club President Mike Sokko; and his wife, Nancy.

Also present were five of the original charter members, six Lionsess Club past presidents and five Lion's Club presidents, as well as Pontoon Beach Mayor Glen Wilson and his wife, Robbie.

This was presented a District 1-G banner by Cooney. A speech recognizing the club's achievements was given by Cooney, followed by remarks from their charter President Charlotte Fowler and several past presidents.

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Pack 103 Cub Scouts earn awards

St. Margaret Mary Cub Scout Pack 103 held its November pack meeting in the school cafeteria, with Den 2 Bear Scouts opening the session.

Cubmaster John Kulasa welcomed guests and awards were presented to Den 3 Wolf Scouts by leaders Tina Sanchez and Vicki Boyd.

Yellow recognition beads were received by Bobby Harris, Richard Serrano, Chris Sumpter, Tommy Zimmerman, Matt Gibson, Bobby Boyd, Timothy Dittman, Adam Sanchez and Neil Podnar.

Den 4 Bear leaders Kathy Weissenborn and Robert Foley presented silver arrow points to Andrew Oney and Matt Weissenborn.

Red recognition beads were presented to Matt Weissenborn, Robert L. Lampitt, Tim Goskie, Shannon Gibson and Andrew Oney. Baseball belt loops went to Matt Weissenborn, Corey

Shepard, Andrew Oney and Tim Goskie.

Den 2 Bear leaders Dale and Karen Mangiaracino presented red recognition beads to Michael Halbrook, Kris Mangiaracino, Mark Dittman and Derrick Webb.

Den 2 held a drug poster contest and the first-place winner was Kris Mangiaracino, second place, Mike Halbrook, and third-place winner, Aaron Meyer.

Matt McBride won the best pumpkin prize at the Halloween party.

Den 1 Webelos leader Jim Seiz presented Webelos colors to Kevin Feigenbutz and Keith Miller. Forrester activity badges went to Kevin Feigenbutz, Keith Seiz, Keith Miller and Ron York. Outdoorsman badge went to Keith Miller.

Cubmaster Kulasa presented a Summertime Pack Award to boys from participating dens,

and recognized Dens 2 and 4 which earned Den Participation ribbons.

Gertrude Luebben presented the Quality Unit Honor Award to the pack.

Webelos performed a song, "The Duke of York."

Reports were given by treasurer Tom Miller and Mary Ann Cupples. Prizes in the popcorn sale went to those selling 10 or more orders. Special recognition went to: Matt McBride, 34 orders; Tim Goskie, 27; Richard Serrano, 27; Adam Sanchez, 25; Michael Halbrook, 21; and Tommy Zimmerman, 21.

Recognition was accorded Luebben for receiving the Arrowhead honor and Scouters' Key and to Webelos leader Seiz for the Award of Merit at the recent Uniwah District dinner.

Canned goods were donated by each Scout for Thanksgiving boxes for the needy.

Harris pupils' yule program set this week

A Christmas musical program will be performed by 65 third-grade students from Harris School, Madison, on Wednesday, Dec. 16, and again Thursday, Dec. 17.

The performance will be directed by Valerie Stevens, vocal music teacher, assisted by Phyllis Holtman and Connie Wall.

Third-grade teachers include Janice Parizon, Norma Oram and Lois Brazil.

The holiday program will be presented at the Madison Recreation Center at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday for the Madison-Venice Rotary Club and at 7:30 p.m. the next day for the Madison Senior Citizens. The senior group also meets at the recreation center, Seventh and Lee streets.

Philip Kosteki will serve as master of ceremonies and Santa Claus will visit.

Several songs and poems will be featured in the holiday program, Stevens said.

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Elizabeth (Bencura) Buron, 92, a longtime resident of Granite City, died at the Eden Lodge Nursing Home, Edwardsville, at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, 1987. She resided at the nursing home for several years.

Mrs. Buron was born Nov. 2, 1895, in Hungary and came to Granite City in 1911.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Her husband, Bernard Buron, died in 1963, and a son, Burt Buron, died in October 1986.

Among the survivors are a daughter, Ann Galsgo, Pittsburg, a sister, Margaret Lechewsky, Granite City; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services are pending at Davis Funeral Home, 21st Street and Cleveland Boulevard. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery, Edwardsville. Friends may call 877-020 for details.

Gibbs

C.J. Gibbs, 62, of 211 W. Flint Hills, Junction City, Kan., formerly of Granite City, died Thursday, Dec. 10, 1987. He was ill for one year.

Born in Bloomfield, Mo., Mr. Gibbs lived in this area for 16 years prior to moving to Kansas in 1963. While in this area he worked for the W.T. Grant Co. for 16 years.

Mr. Gibbs was of the Baptist faith and was a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

Survivors include his wife, Mary (Peters) Gibbs; two sons, Terry and Darrell Gibbs, both of Kansas; a brother, James Gibbs, Enid, Okla.; and one granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister.

Graveside services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Monday at St. John Cemetery, 2901 N. 10th St., Granite City, with the Rev. Hugh Wallace officiating. Irwin Chapel for Funerals, 2801 Madison Ave., is in charge of arrangements. There will be no visitation.

Hale

Rosevelt Hale, 79, 922 Jefferson St., Madison, a former school district employee, died at 12:10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, 1987, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Mr. Hale was born Jan. 3, 1908, in York, Ala. He resided in Madison for the past 32 years and previously lived in East St. Louis.

Prior to retirement, Mr. Hale was employed as a custodian at the Madison School District for many years. He was an active member of Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church for 32 years.

Among the survivors are his wife, Leila Mae Hale; two daughters, Mrs. Rodney (Arline) Long and Mrs. Courtney (Anzola Loretta) Prothro, both of Madison; two sisters, Mary Ruth Brown, Fulton, Ark., and Caroline Nettles, New Orleans; three brothers, George Hale, East Orange, N.J., Dave Hale, York, Ala., and Joe Hale, East St. Louis; and two grandchildren.

Services were held Sunday, Dec. 6, at the Hope Missionary Baptist Church, with the Rev. Dr. George McColton officiating. Burial was Dec. 7 at Sunset Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Millstadt. Officer Funeral Home, East St. Louis, was in charge of the arrangements.

Jenkinson

Floy Elma (Wilkinson) Jenkinson, 83, Roodhouse, Ill., died Thursday, Dec. 10, 1987, at the North American Health Care Center, White Hall, Ill.

She was born in Patterson, Ill., and lived in Roodhouse for many years. She was a member of the Patterson Royal Neighbors.

Preceding her in death was her husband, Marvin Jenkinson, who died in 1974.

Survivors include one son, Jack L. Shenkel, Granite City; two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. Monday at Mackey-Davis Funeral Home, 202 W. Franklin, Roodhouse. Services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Burial will be in White Hall Cemetery.

Keck

Charles T. Keck Jr., 40, of 1723 Ferguson Ave., was killed Saturday, Dec. 12, 1987, in a one-vehicle accident at 3:30 a.m. on West Pontoon Road, between Illinois 3 and Missouri Avenue.

Mr. Keck had exited the northbound lanes of Illinois 3 onto eastbound West Pontoon Road when the accident occurred.

As he approached the curve on the exit lane the vehicle left the roadway and apparently rolled over numerous times, landing right side up across the road, police said.

Mr. Keck was thrown from the vehicle and was found face down on the pavement about four feet from the pickup, reports said.

He was pronounced dead at the scene at 4:15 a.m. Saturday by Madison County Deputy Coroner

Edward Werner

Funeral arrangements are pending at Irwin Chapel for Funerals, 2801 Madison Ave. Friends may call 877-6500 for details.

Mrs. Buron was born Nov. 2, 1895, in Hungary and came to Granite City in 1911.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Her husband, Bernard Buron, died in 1963, and a son, Burt Buron, died in October 1986.

Among the survivors are a daughter, Ann Galsgo, Pittsburg, a sister, Margaret Lechewsky, Granite City; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services are pending at Davis Funeral Home, 21st Street and Cleveland Boulevard. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery, Edwardsville. Friends may call 877-020 for details.

Krauskopf

Marcella Ann (Wachter) Krauskopf, 78, a 1½-year resident of D'Adria Convalescent Center, Godfrey, died at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10, 1987, at Wood River Township Hospital.

She was in ill health for two years and hospitalized for one week. Born in Madison County, Mrs. Krauskopf was a lifelong resident of the Quad City area.

Mrs. Krauskopf was a member of St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William C. Krauskopf, on May 29, 1983, and a son, William Krauskopf, in 1967.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Atchley and Janet Williams, both of Granite City; one son, Michael Krauskopf, Warrensburg, Ill.; two brothers, Jacob and John Wachter, both of Granite City; five sisters, Dorothy Willard, Granite City, Margaret Bell, Ill. Fischer and Lucille Hoekstra, all of Wood River, and Verna Lynkeman, East Alton; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Visitation took place Friday at Irwin Chapel for Funerals, 2801 Madison Ave. St. Donald Mehlhous celebrated an 11:30 a.m. Mass Saturday at St. Margaret Mary Church, 1900 St. Clair Ave. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, Edwardsville. Masses are suggested as memorials.

Meredith

Mary T. (Gregory) Meredith, 86, 2322 Winters Drive, died at 11:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, 1987, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wilford (Ruth) Lane Collinsville. Mrs. Meredith had been ill for three months.

She was born in Washington County, Mo., and had lived here for 60 years. She was a member of the First Assembly of God Church and the Anchorage Senior Citizens.

Preceding her in death was her husband, the Rev. Roy Meredith, who died Jan. 14, 1967; two sons, David and Paul Meredith; and one brother, Kenneth Gregory.

Other survivors include one son, Ralph Meredith, Waterloo, and another daughter, Mrs. Charles (Mary) Newcomb, Albuquerque, N.M.; one brother, William Gregory, Granite City; one sister, William (Minnie) Dillard, Granite City; nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will begin at 4:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14, 1987, at Irwin Chapel for Funerals, 2801 Madison Ave. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the First Assembly of God Church, 24th Street and Grand Avenue, with the Rev. C. Dale Edwards and C.M. O'Guin officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Cemetery, Edwardsville. Memorials may be sent to Hospice of Madison County.

Penrod

Mrs. Edith Penrod, 87, of Granite City, died at 7 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, 1987, at Madison County Nursing Home, Edwardsville.

Funeral services are pending at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, 2206 Pontoon Road. Friends may call 826-4321 for details.

Phillips

Paul E. Phillips Jr., 31, 300 block of Sunny Shores, Mitchell, died early Thursday morning, Dec. 10, 1987, of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. He was pronounced dead at the scene by the St. Louis County medical examiner's office.

Authorities said Mr. Phillips apparently lost control of the car in the median of Interstate 270 just west of I-40 Drive in north St. Louis County.

He was traveling east on I-270 when his car swerved into the median and scraped a cable barrier. The auto became airborne and hit a support beam of Burlington Northern railroad tracks, authorities said.

Survivors include his wife, Frances J. Phillips, St. Louis; two children, Edward and Tina Phillips; his parents, Paul E. Phillips Sr. and Adelia Phillips; and one sister, Patricia Simmons.

Visitation will begin at 1 p.m. Sunday at Buchholz Spanish Lake Mortuary, 1645 Redman Ave., where funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday. Burial will be at the Elmwood School Cemetery, Luebbering, Mo.

Ramsey

Rufus J. Ramsey, 81, 2312 Adams St., died at 11:12 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 10, 1987, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He was 11 one year.

Born June 21, 1906, in St. Louis, Mr. Ramsey resided in Granite City since 1944, having moved here from Edwardsville.

He retired in 1971 from the Washburn Railroad, where he was employed many years as a telegraph operator.

Mr. Ramsey was of the Catholic faith. His wife, Mrs. Marge (Borden) Ramsey, died April 8, 1986.

Among the survivors are a son, Rufus W. Ramsey, Edwardsville; two sisters, Mrs. Owen (Ernestine) Zahse, Granite City, and Dolores Marie Ramsey, San Antonio, Texas; and five grandchildren.

Services were conducted by the Rev. Don Wolford at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at Irwin Chapel for Funerals, 2801 Madison Ave. Burial was at Walnut Hill Cemetery, Belleville.

White

Jesse L. White Jr., 47, 1101 Severance, died at 3:50 p.m. Monday, Dec. 7, 1987, at Belleville Memorial Hospital, where he was a patient for three days.

Mr. White, born May 18, 1940, in St. Louis, was a longtime resident of the Quad-City area.

He was employed for several years at the Madison Iron Yard and was a member of New Salem Baptist Church, Venice.

Among the survivors are his wife, Elise White; two sons, Jesse L. White III and Keith Garrett, both of Madison; three daughters, Denise Boyd and Patricia Jones, both of Madison, and Sabrina White, Venice; his mother, Ida White, Venice; one brother, Philip White, Venice; two sisters, Mary White, Venice, and Traci White, St. Louis; and three grandchildren.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday at New Salem Baptist Church, Venice, with the Rev. John Ray and William Edgmon officiating. Burial was at Sunset Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Millstadt. Officer Funeral Home, East St. Louis, was in charge of the arrangements.

Cencom company

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package for Granite City area subscribers in the past year by adding VH-1, a contemporary music video network, and FNN, Score and Telsoph which provide financial news, sports news and video shopping services.

Also added to the basic cable channels are HSN, a live, shop-at-home service, and the Discovery Channel, which features science programming.

This two-year, \$4.5 million service improvement program equates to a \$150 per capita investment for each of our 30,000 Illinois subscribers," Troxel said.

Cencom has contracted with ESPN to help provide subscribers with this year's NFL football package and has added viewers the Cardinals Cable Network, which telecast home Cardinal baseball games the past season, he added.

Lottery

Results of the Illinois State Lottery were:

Thursday, Dec. 10: 128
Pick 4 Game: 3837
Friday, Dec. 11: 145
Pick 4 Game: 0645

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Special use zoning could be revived

By Dave Gosnell
Staff Writer

GRANITE CITY — The city may again issue special use zoning permits if proposed changes to the city's zoning ordinance are approved by the council.

Special use permits have not been allowed since the city's revised zoning ordinance went into effect in 1981.

But the council's Planning, Zoning and Annexation Committee has produced recommendations that include the re-introduction of special use permits.

If approved, the permits will be allowed for two commercial zoning classifications that have been the subject of several recent rezoning controversies.

Before 1981, the city allowed special use permits for any classification — a use that was viewed as unworkable and subject to abuse when the revised ordinance was enacted that abolished special permits.

Chairman of the city's Plan Commission, Philip Thompson, said that special use permits, while not a preferred zoning method, do allow rezoning of some areas that do not meet zoning requirements. He said the change is necessary to put more flexibility into the city's zoning laws.

School levy hearing slated for Tuesday

GRANITE CITY — A public hearing on the proposed 1987 District 9 real estate tax levy is slated for Tuesday at the district administration building, 20th and Adams streets.

School Board members are expected to vote on the levy following the hearing.

The levy totals \$10,265,056.09, an increase of \$67,160.23 over the 1986 levy of \$9,593,449.86, said Norman Owca, the district's financial director.

The proposed levy shows a 4.5 percent tax rate increase, Owca said. The increase would mean additional taxes of \$30.46 a year to a taxpayer living in a \$60,000 home assessed at \$20,000, he said.

Pontoon Village OKs bonds for development

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No action was taken on an agreement stipulating developer Alan Lucas will supervise and direct development of the area with certain expenses reimbursed by the village.

Trustee Don Trickett asked whether or not it is legal to appoint Lucas as agent for the village and also asked for "some figures" to be added in the agreement.

Trustee Bob Vincent suggested getting more information to further clarify the agreement.

The contract was the focal point of a 14-minute executive session. Board members agreed to table the agreement being tabled to allow Village Attorney Keith Jensen to research portions of the document.

The Lucas family owns the Chouteau Trace I project, owned by B.T.L. Enterprises Inc., headed by Lucas, is proposing to develop the tract.

"I'm not technically the owner. I work with and for B.T.L. Enterprises," Lucas said Tuesday night. He said he has no interest in the project.

Questions were raised by Trustee Loren Madison at an earlier meeting on whether TIF (tax increment financing) regulations prohibit a property owner to serve also as an agent of the village in a redevelopment project.

In the bond ordinance, First Granite City National Bank was named trustee. The bonds will be offered in increments of \$5,000 each, paying an annual interest rate of 14 percent from May 1991 through May 1, 2007.

The village has no liability for

In recent months, numerous rezoning requests by businesses have been turned down because they did not meet minimum parcel size requirements to zone the areas from residential to commercial.

Many concerned residents have attended Plan Commission meetings and urged the commission to enforce the city's land requirement.

One of the rejected rezoning petitions resulted in a recent lawsuit against the city by Granite City chiropractor Mark Eavenson.

This has said he would like to have the land size requirement removed but the zoning committee chairman, 7th Ward Alderman Jeff Worthen, wanted the requirement to stay.

This has said the land requirement keeps businesses out of the city.

"This was a compromise solution," Thompson said of the special permit recommendation. "I prefer that to what we have now. It assures that the city can normally use that. But I think you need the special use permits in order to assure that." Since about 1983, the Plan Commission rarely enforced the minimum size requirements.

The city's planning inspector, John Jakich, and new Plan Com-

Simon applauds ban on political belief exclusions

Sen. Paul Simon has praised a Senate and House conferees that assure foreigners will not be excluded from the U.S. solely because of their political beliefs.

"It means that the President will no longer have the authority to exclude foreigners on political grounds," Simon said.

The one-year amendment to the McCarran-Walter Act was made part of the State Department authorization bill earlier

mission members said they were not aware of the one-acre minimum land size for a commonly used zoning classification.

This has said he started enforcing the land requirement when he became chairman in early 1987.

This said the special permits would be allowed in few areas and only under special circumstances.

Other proposed changes to the zoning ordinance include a recommendation to require rezoning petitioners to disclose all owners of the land in question — including those who hold ownership in a blind trust or have an option to buy or lease the land — and the creation of an agricultural zoning classification, which the city does not now have.

A new zoning map also has been created that changes the zoning designation of some city land parcels from what appeared in 1979 zoning maps.

This said the new map will only include zoning changes that have been approved by the council since 1981.

The zoning committee will review the changes with other members of the committee's Dec. 15 meeting at 6 p.m. at City Hall. The meeting will take place prior to the council's 7 p.m. meeting.

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the bonds' indebtedness unless there is negligence, malfeasance in public office or criminal action involved in the bond procedure, said the village attorney.

Jensen was responding to questions from Rea on whether any liability or obligation could result to the village.

Development of the TIF area will be financed by the bondholders, including land acquisition for public use, construction and improvement of streets, installation of sewer and water and storm drainage facilities, necessary grading, administrative costs and other expenses.

Multi-family housing, a nursing home, a bank and a residence for the developmentally disabled are planned for the property.

Voting to suspend the rules and adopt the ordinance were Trustees Bob Abel and Louis Whitwell and Mayor Glen Wilson. Trustee Vincent also voted against rules suspension and adoption.

Trustee Carl Hackney, the village's former economic developer, abstained from voting with reason. He owns Sun Realty and may have business dealings in the area of the proposed development, it was noted.

Loren Madison, a vigorous and vocal critic of the TIF bond proposal, left the meeting prior to the 35-page ordinance being read, the reading taking more than an hour.

Madison's absence was ruled as an affirmative vote by Jensen, who cited village statutes. He also advised that a simple majority was required to pass the ordinance.

Madison left the meeting to go to work, he said Wednesday.

As far as he's concerned it is a rip-off of the taxpayers and a

We're Sorry!

In this week's Christmas Sale circled in red, the radio controlled cars on page 19. The truck shown for \$34.97 is incorrect. We showed a tow truck. The actual truck on sale is a Ford Ranger Pickup. The truck shown on page 20 is correct.

In this same circular, we advertised Zebco tackle totes on sale for \$29.99, regular \$39.99 on page 20. Due to manufacturer's inability to ship, the spinning model will not be available. Sorry, no rain check will be given. The spin cast model is in stock.

Also on page 20, we advertised Rand Deluxe 26" men's or women's slippers on sale for \$64.99, unadorned. Due to manufacturer's inability to ship, they will be unavailable. We will substitute a Roadmaster men's or women's 10-slipper on sale for \$67.99, unadorned. Sorry, no rain check will be given.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause you.

Venture

Grassroots

Upcoming meetings of Quad-City Area governmental taxing bodies include:

Venue Park Board, 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14, Park Office, 323 Broadway, Venice.

Nameco Township, 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14, Township Hall, 4250 Illinois 3, Edwardsville.

Granite City Council, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 15, City Hall, 2000 Edison Ave.

Granite City School Board, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 15, Board Office, 20th and Adams streets.

Madison City Council, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 15, City Hall, 1339 Third St., Madison.

Madison County Board, 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 16, County Courthouse, Edwardsville.

Venue School Board, 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, Board Office, Broadway and Seventh Street, Venice.

Madison School Board, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, Board Office, 1707 Fourth St., Madison.

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Garden Study celebrates Christmas with blooms

The December meeting of the Garden Study Club was held at Ravanelli's Restaurant, where nine members met for a Christmas lunch and gift exchange. A guest, Carolyn Stearns, was welcomed.

President Clara Winkler brought two recyclable table decorations and a blooming Christmas cactus for the table. Vice President Mary Stonum presented each member and guest with corsages made from fresh evergreen, wheat, acorns, red berries, grape vine wreaths and bows. Other corsages worn by other members were made of evergreen and white pinecones.

A business meeting followed the luncheon, with secretary Helen Meyer taking roll call. Each member answered to the question, "Name a plant that you have blooming now." Plants members had were: Helen Mih, seven sisters rose bush; Catherine Kostoff, Christmas cactus and Crown of Thorns; Helen Meyer, violets; Ruby Stonum, violets and three geranium plants; Bonnie Rutkowski, min-

ature rose bush; Mary Stonum, a Christmas cactus; Crown of Thorns, Shamrock and Angel Wing begonia; Carolyn Stearns, geraniums; and Winkler, Christmas cactus, Shamrock, geraniums and violets.

Activity for November was the planting of a flowering purple plum tree at St. John's United Church of Christ, 2903 Nameoki Road, to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the club.

The program was given by Helen Meyer on the "Many Faces of Christmas." She explained the origin of some of the most popular holiday carols.

The annual personal contribution was collected from members for the Salvation Army.

Other members present were Christine Hornberger and Marie Oaken. There will be no meeting in January. The next meeting and election of officers for 1988-1989 will be at the home of Mary Stonum, 4006 North St., on Feb. 3.

After the business meeting, the exchange of gifts was held.

New Hope donates funds to Salvation Army drive

The first meeting for the new corps of officers of New Hope Chapter 432, Order of Eastern Star, was conducted in the Masonic Temple, with Worthy Matron Irene Kessler and Worthy Patron Al Woodard presiding.

Max Merz gave a report on the sale of pecans, a recent fund-raising project, noting it was successful.

Members agreed to donate funds to the Salvation Army "Tree of Lights," Bethel 43, Order of Job's Daughters, the Illinois Masonic Children's Home and to a woman resident at the Macon home. A selection of gifts for the Macon home will be collected at the next meeting, Kessler said.

Greetings were read from the Grand Worthy Matron of Illinois.

Elaine Orr, and the Masonic Children's Home.

Those listed as being in ill health were Ann Mueller, former member Aell (Baskette) Evans, Bill Ashford and Larry Melvin.

Past officers escorted and introduced were: Miriam Ozard, Donna Woodard, Blanche Debow, Lois Hackney, Helen Merz, Louise Thompson, Jolene Keel, Lana Hall, Merz, Harlen Keel, Ellis Hackney of New Hope Chapter, and Mae Lee and Clyde Lee, both of the Agnes Wickfield Chapter.

Plans were announced for a Christmas pot luck party to be held Thursday, Dec. 17, at the Masonic Temple. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. To be followed by a business meeting at 9 p.m. A gift exchange will also be conducted.



Sandra Fox

Fox-Gwirtsman

Mr. and Mrs. Fred I. Fox Sr., Granite City, are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Fox, Los Angeles, formerly of Granite City, to Dr. Harry Gwirtsman, Los Angeles, son of Joseph and Helen Gwirtsman, Springfield, N.J.

Fox graduated from Granite City High School North in 1974 and from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville in 1981 with a bachelor's degree in nursing. She earned her master's degree in nursing in 1984 from the University of California, Los Angeles. She is employed as an epilepsy nurse specialist for the Comprehensive Epilepsy Research Program at the University of California.

Gwirtsman graduated as valedictorian from Johnathon Dayton High School in Springfield, N.J., in 1968. While attending high school, he also studied at Julliard School of Music in New York City. Gwirtsman graduated Summa Cum Laude from Yale University in 1972 and from Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City in 1976, completing a psychiatry

residency at UCLA and a fellowship at the National Institute of Mental Health in Bethesda, Md. Gwirtsman is an assistant professor of psychiatry at the UCLA School of Medicine.

The wedding is planned for Feb. 6 in Los Angeles.

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Marshall PTA views program

GRANITE CITY — The monthly meeting of the Marshall Elementary School PTA, was held Nov. 17 in the school gymnasium.

After a meeting chaired by Emil Klug, president, a special program entitled "Starlight, Starbright" was presented by Irma Sanders, kindergarten teacher, and the two kindergarten classes. About 175 persons attended.

The projects the PTA will support this year, Klug announced, include purchase of ribbons for sports competitions, soap dispensers for the restrooms, classroom field trips, ceiling fans, classroom balls and jump ropes for recess.

Jana Boring, treasurer, announced the top four classrooms in popcorn sales were Jo Ann Burck's second grade, Nancy Weber's first grade, Julian Phillips' fifth grade and Ron Goldsmith's special class.

Lisa Morlen, chairman of activities and recreation for the end-of-year picnic and carnival, asked for volunteers.

Boring and Joan Stark, who were in charge of the Santa's Workshop sale, announced the Dec. 7-9 music room event. The sale gave children an opportunity to purchase Christmas gifts.

Former residents parents of twins

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis McClanahan, Kirkwood, formerly of Granite City, announce the birth of twin sons born Nov. 16 at Jewish Hospital, St. Louis.

The infants are Shawn Aaron McClanahan, who weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces, and Scott Patrick McClanahan, who weighed 5 pounds, 6 ounces.

The couple also has 5-year-old twin boys, Mathew Lee and Curtis Eldred McClanahan II. The mother is the former Teresa Lynn Crawford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Forest Crawford, Granite City. The paternal grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. Roy Frederick McClanahan.

Births

Births recorded at Anderson Hospital, Maryville, include:

BOYS
Mr. and Mrs. Ronald (Vivian) Barrios, Granite City, Nov. 19.
Mr. and Mrs. Rodney (Karen) Sheets, Granite City, Nov. 28.

GIRLS
Mr. and Mrs. Jack (Denise) Copeland, Granite City, Nov. 27.

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Movie makes for wild, entertaining ride

PLANES, TRAINS AND AUTOMOBILES—Raucous, entertaining slapstick comedy with executive Steve Martin on his way from New York to Chicago for the Thanksgiving holiday. Everything's going fine until he gets mixed up with garrulous shower curtain ring peddler John Candy, A Laurel and Hardy-style comedy of mis-matched traveling companions.

Rated R. (Language.)

Harry Hamlin

"Planes, Trains and Automobiles" contains some of the funniest scenes and lines of the film year. Although it does not have the consistency it should, and its story line becomes more than a bit threadbare at times, this comedy, starring John Candy and Steve Martin, takes the audience on the high road to some colossal laughter.

Martin as Neal Page, the uptight, yuppie advertising executive, gives a slightly stronger

performance than Candy. That is not to say Candy does poorly, but Martin's character has some politely malevolent depth to it, a malevolence that slowly melts away as the circuitous trip to the windy city winds on. I think it is fair to say that Martin has the better of the two principal roles in "Planes, Trains and Automobiles," and he makes the most of it.

Candy as Del Griffith, the portly, talkative shower curtain salesman, is perfect for the part. From the moment he sits down on the plane next to Martin, the stage is set for some traveling trouble. Candy's best attribute in the role is that he keeps the guy as funny as possible, without turning him into a cartoon instead of a real person.

There is an effort in the last third of "Planes, Trains and Automobiles" to turn it from a comedy into a comic drama, and I am not sure that the extent to

which this is carried is a good idea. Some bonding of Martin and Candy should occur, but what this script asks an audience to believe, after giving them more laughter in a film than they have had in a month of matinees, is just too far-fetched.

So it is a big recommendation from this corner for "Planes, Trains and Automobiles," a film excursion that will allow you a nice vacation from your troubles, and who knows, might even help you catch the holiday spirit.

Frank Hunter

Next comedies often spring from the simplest of stories. And John Hughes' uproarious farce

"Planes, Trains and Automobiles" is downright eloquent, hilarious stuff based on a situation familiar to all who have run into snags getting from here to there. Like when the snow is flying, the jetliners aren't, and the traveler is a bone-weary businessman struggling valiantly to get from New York to Chicago in time for Thanksgiving dinner.

Rudyard Kipling observed that "He travels the fastest who travels alone." That is precisely what urban advertising man Neal Page (Steve Martin) learns when his plane is re-routed to Wichita during a blizzard and he finds himself seated next to bisterous, uncouth Del Griffith

(John Candy).

Salesman Griffith peddles shower curtain rings for a living, and totes his wares in a trunk big enough to hold a dozen anvils.

He also is a self-proclaimed expert on arranging emergency transportation and is eager to share his knowledge with Page, who finds himself embroiled in several delicious disasters with a blundering of he would love to throttle before their chaotic odyssey ends.

This is the fourth film by writer-director/producer Hughes, who turned-out "Ferris Bueller's Day Off," "Pretty in Pink," and "Some Kind of Wonderful."

Despite a couple of laggard

moments, "Planes, Trains and Automobiles" is generally very funny and Hughes is in top form, along with actors Martin and Candy playing ordinary citizens caught up in several extraordinary transportation gaffes involving various kinds of rolling stock.

Interspersed with the riotous goings-on are a couple of poignant moments as two men from vastly different backgrounds begin to view each other in a different light.

With all the sight gags and irreverence, "Planes, Trains and Automobiles" delivers its share of Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy-style belly laughs, a good for-what-ails-you blues chaser all the way.

Channel 4 hierarchy plans noon newscast

By William Scott Simon
Staff affiliate

The television news battle will warm up in the cold month of January if KMOV-TV (Channel 4) introduces a weekday 30-minute noon newscast that is being proposed by general manager Allan Cohen, program director Jim Rothschild and news director Al Hoyer.

Holzer said Cohen traveled to New York recently to meet with executives of Viacom, the station's owner, with the newscast the subject of serious discussion.

KSDK-TV (Channel 5) is the only local station to air a weekday noon newscast and enjoys great success with it. In the October ratings period, KSDK's Nielsen reported the station had a 46 percent audience share while Arbitron reported the newscast had a 47 percent share.

KTVI-TV (Channel 2) was second at noon when "All My Children" measured a 22 percent share from Arbitron and a 19 from Nielsen.

Channel 4 was a weak third when "Dr. Viscotti" drew only 10 percent of the audience according to Nielsen and only 9 percent from Arbitron.

It is obvious that Channel 4's strategy would be to try to cut into Channel 5's audience. But Holzer's outlook is different.

"Sure, I want us to get a part of Channel 5's audience," Holzer said. "But this is a major market and we should be doing more news. If we can start with a story at noon, then we'll update it at 5 and 6 (p.m.). We already update at 10 (p.m.) from the 5 and 6 o'clock news. Our content will be better and I think better content will attract viewers."

But a Channel 5 employee who wished to remain anonymous

said that initially, most viewers who would switch to watch Channel 4's new newscast would be doing so simply to sample the new product.

Television has a habit of being cyclical. Until 10 years ago, Channels 2, 4 and 5 each had a noon newscast. But stations began to put more effort into evening newscasts and noon newscasts were sacrificed. Channel 4 was the first to drop it, then Channel 2 dropped its noon broadcast seven years ago when the station was acquired by the Times Mirror Co.

It is doubtful Channel 2 would drop "All My Children," one of its more popular soap operas. But based on Channel 5's success with locally produced newscasts in the early morning and at noon, Channel 4 will probably take the chance with the noon newscast, and Channel 2 soon may have to follow.

"Even though the station had 25.5 percent of the radio listening audience this summer according to Arbitron, KMOX-AM (1120) still underwent a major change. Its weekday morning show, "Total Information A.M.," was extended an hour to 10 a.m. "The Grant Horton Show" is now from 10 a.m. to noon.

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Sports

Warriors stung in SWC opener

By Gary King
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — When he looks at the pieces to his squad's puzzle, Warrior basketball coach Don Deterding has two problems: He's not sure where they go, and he's not sure he has enough.

So pardon the man with 399 career coaching wins if he isn't really sure how pretty the picture will look by the time March calls.

Pardon him, too, for not rating the Warriors 60-50 loss to Belleville East on Friday a perfect 10. For rather than coming together, the Warriors pieces disassembled against a Lancer team that entered the Southwest Conference showdown against the Warriors with an 8-3 record.

The Warriors fell to 2-4 on the season and 0-1 in the SWC with the loss. East is now 1-3 and 1-1 in the SWC.

"The only thing that kept us in tonight's ballgame was our intensity," Deterding said. "That's great. I respect the kids' effort. They work their tails off."

"But plain and simple, if you can't shoot, you can't win." The reason for the loss need not be explained any further. The Warriors came out colder than a mid-January evening in Siberia against the Lancers and never really seemed to thaw.

Belleville East jumped out to a 16-7 lead after one quarter and would never be deterred or derailed.

Granite City took a poke at making the score at least somewhat cozy, trimming the Lancers' lead to 28-22 late in the second quarter. The Warrior comeback was the result of a Kevin Sanders scoring spree.

During a three-minute span, the Warrior center scored 10 of his 16 points and collected several of his nine rebounds.

Granite City huddled its deficit down to four, 35-31, three minutes into the second half. But just when the Warriors began nipping at the Lancers' heels, they were greeted with a month-

ful of dust.

With Sanders, guard John Van Buskirk and forward Jody Crenshaw each logging four personal fouls, Belleville East went on a 14-2 scoring run to take a 49-33 lead after three quarters.

Van Buskirk fouled out early in the final quarter with eight points, adding insult to a sub-par shooting performance from junior Mike Wilkinson, who entered the game averaging 18 points a game but was held to nine on Friday.

"Losing Johnny hurt us," Deterding said. "Mike was a little off tonight and Johnny seemed to be making things happen when he was on the floor." Deterding pointed to his squad's seven-of-21 effort from the floor in the first quarter and eight-of-19 shooting from the charity stripe in the first half as the detrimental factors in the loss.

"It was just like a snowball rolling downhill," Deterding said. "When one started missing, they all got in line."

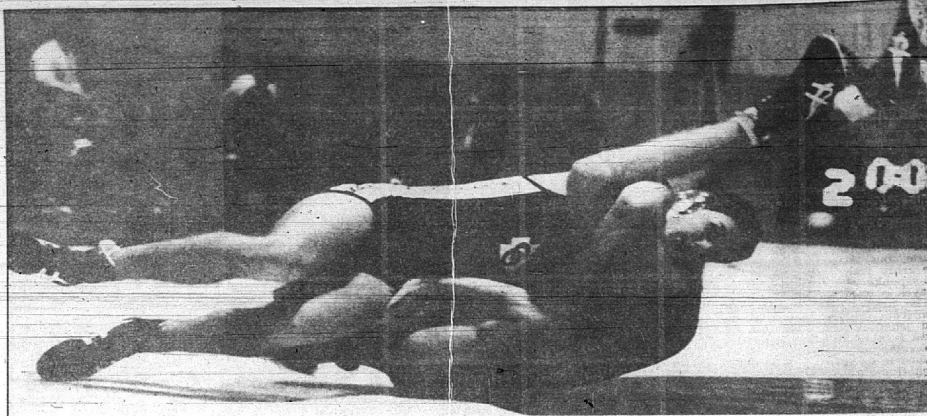
"We're just going to have to find a way to win with the three shooters we've got. We have other guys who can contribute, but they're not shooters. It's frustrating for the kids, because they don't want to miss those shots."

"The only consolation is that it's early in the season and we know we do have these problems. We'll shoot better than we did tonight."

The Warriors were to face Wood River on Saturday in Deterding's second attempt to reach the coveted 400-win plateau. Results of that game will be in Wednesday's Journal.

"We'll be OK by midseason," Deterding said. "But right now we're like linemen. We're not good passers and we're not good shooters. We just play hard in the pits."

Wood River entered Saturday's game with a 3-0 mark, so it wasn't going to be easy getting Deterding's 400th win there. Granite City hosts Cahokia on Friday and travels to Collinsville on Saturday.



Two more wins

RICH FENOGLIO of the Warriors gets the edge on Civic Memorial's Mark Deppling on Thursday at Memorial Gymnasium in a 145-pound match. Fenoglio won as did the

Warrior team. They also won at East St. Louis on Friday to raise their record to 5-3-1.

(Photo by Pam Doeple)

Devils explode in second half for 87-57 win

As if to give the Livingston fans some hope, the Venice Red Devils got off to a slow start on Friday.

But the party was abruptly ended in the third quarter by Dale Turner, Daryl Jackson and Co. as the Devils rolled to an 87-57 win in an Illini Gateway Conference action.

"We waited until the third quarter to pull this one out," said Red Devil coach Clinton Harris.

Venice is now 2-0 in conference play and 3-1 overall. The Eagles fell to 5-2, 1-1 in league play.

Livingston took a 19-15 lead after one quarter and trailed only 36-29 at halftime. But Turner and the Devils turned up the heat in the second half. They led 55-44 after three, then outscored the Eagles 32-13 in the fourth quarter.

Turner, the 6-2 senior guard, topped 30 points for the first time in his career as he connected on four three-point shots in the game. He also collected nine assists. Jackson continued his excellent offensive play with 25 points and Hosea King added 15. Lionel Wiley was also in dou-

ble figures for the Red Devils with 10.

Ron Hampton led the Eagles with 27 points.

Venice hosts Metro East Lutheran (1-4) in an Illini Gateway Conference game on Tuesday at 7:45 p.m.

SCORING

VENICE	16	21	18	32-87
LIVINGSTON	19	10	15	44-57
VENICE: Turner 31 (4 3-pointers), Jackson 25, King 15, Wiley 10, Hollis 2, Harris 2, Trudewitz 2, FG-40 (14 3-pointers), FT-3, PF-10.				
LIVINGSTON: Hampton 27 (8 3-pointers), Hettiger 15, Matos 6, Hays 4, Kuhn 4, Wilcox 1, FG-25 (9 3-pointers), FT-1, PF-5.				

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Confrontation

ALONZO MOURNING, left, of Chesapeake (Va.) Indian River High School, the top-rated high school player in the country, battled East St. Louis Lincoln's LaPhonso Ellis, the 12th-ranked player, in the 7UP/Sporting News Shootout at Kiel Auditorium. For a report on their battle, see Page 2B.

Cavanness still hot; girls win again

By Dave Whaley
Executive sports editor

If Kim Pawlak didn't have a big scoring night for the Lady Warrior basketball team last season, a victory was out of the question.

But Jennifer Cavanness is a big reason why that is no longer true. A 12-point night for Pawlak last winter would have been disaster for the Granite City offense. But Pawlak's dozen on Thursday were just a supplement to Cavanness' 21 points and 27 rebounds as the Lady Warriors won their third straight game, 51-44 at Riverview Gardens (Mo.).

"We're bouncing back and forth between Kim and Jennifer having the big games," said coach John Hutchings, who is enjoying the team's newfound scoring balance. "If we can keep that going, we can be really good."

Granite City led 25-24 at halftime and 34-30 after three quarters, then hung on for the win in the final period to raise its record to 4-1. In addition to Cavanness and Pawlak, Wendy

GRANITE CITY SCORING

RIVIERVIEW GARDENS	21	18	15	54
GRANITE CITY	21	17	17	55
GRANITE CITY: Cavanness 21 (11 3-pointers), Pawlak 12, Barker 10, Knollman 7 (7 assists), Davis 1, FG-22 (12 3-pointers), FT-12, PF-17.				
RIVIERVIEW GARDENS: Dwyer 12, Jones 8, Little 6, Blanton 6, Jefferson 6 (12 rebounds), Price 4, FG-17 (13 3-pointers), FT-8, PF-18.				

Knollman played another strong floor game with seven points and seven assists.

"I asked Wendy if she was tired after the game and she said no," said Hutchings. "She is obviously in good shape to play like that for 32 minutes."

But Cavanness continues to be the big story. The 6-1 1/2 center attended a basketball camp in the summer, as did many of the other players, and it is paying off.

"I knew she was capable of being this kind of player," Hutchings said. "She worked hard at the camp and has come back with lots of confidence. I probably should have started using her more last season. When she gets it going, she is pretty tough to stop because of her size."

Hutchings said Pawlak, who was usually the whole show offensively last year, is adjusting to "dumping the ball inside to Cavanness and others. And April Barker is contributing more to the offense as well."

"We're depending on our starting five pretty much," Hutchings said of Cavanness, Pawlak, Knollman, Barker and Becky Davis. "Our JV players are tired by the time their game is over, so I tell my starters not to foul unless it's a good foul. And no one has fouled out in the last two games."

The Warriors will find out how much they have progressed when they host Southwestern Conference toughies Belleville East and East St. Louis on Tuesday and Thursday, respectively.

"We're ahead of where I thought we would be," Hutchings said. "But we'll find out how good we are this week. If we can handle Belleville East's press, we can be competitive with anybody."

Junior varsity action on both nights starts at 6 p.m. at Memorial Gymnasium. The Lady Warriors are 2-0 in conference play.

The Czar vs. the King

Ellis wins individual stats battle; Mourning, Braves win war

By Dave Whaley

Executive sports editor

ST. LOUIS — Once upon a time, in a cozy little battlefield called Kiel, the Czar and the King had at it.

Czar LaPhonso Ellis was the local hero, having led his army of the East St. Louis Lincoln Tigers — to an Illinois state championship. But now it was time to face up to an almost mystical, legendary figure named King Alonzo Mourning. The Czar probably came out the better of the two in an individual battle, but alas, the King and his army from the east — the Chesapeake (Va.) Indian River Braves — won the war.

The Braves took a 56-53 decision from the Tigers in the second round of what has become known as the 7UP/Sporting News Shootout. The King's army proved to have just a little more than the Czar's troops on this Thursday evening. The invaders from the east — Virginia Class AAA champs last year — were down by three with less than two minutes left. Then the King himself scored with 1:30 left to make it 53-52. The defenders of the Midwest mistired on a pair of volleys and one of the King's lieutenants, James Worsley, fired the decisive shot with 36 seconds remaining.

Then the smallest soldier on the battlefield — 5-3 Earl Fuller — sank a pair of free throws with nine seconds left to wrap things up for the easterners. Lawrence Bradford fired up a premature three-pointer with six seconds left that missed and the war was over.

After the war, the King and the Czar retired to their quarters to reflect on the battle.

"LaPhonso played great," said King Alonzo, letting his two favorite weapons — arms that

Shootout notes

In addition to Indian River's 56-53 win over East St. Louis Lincoln, three other area teams were winners at the seventh annual 7UP/Sporting News Shootout.

Jacksonville used 37 points from designated scoring machine Andy Kaufmann to take a 79-68 decision from Parkway West in the opening game of the night. Kaufmann, who was questionable for the game with a sore throat, responded by hitting all kinds of shots in tough traffic under the basket.

He was only 10 of 19 from the field, with two three-pointers, but he sank 15 of 17 free throws as the Crimson stayed unbeaten.

In the third game, Vashon used its great wealth of talent to claim a 79-65 win over Lower Richland (S.C.). Stanley Roberts, the 7-0, 270-pound center for Lower Richland who is the third-rated high school player in the country, had 20 points. But the Wolverines, led by Sean Tunstall's 19 points, were too deep. DeMet finished off the evening with a 65-49 win over Collinsville as the Kahoks shot only 30 percent from the field.

seem to extend from here back to Virginia — rest at his side. "I didn't play to my full potential but he did. He's a great player and has lots of potential."

He's a tremendous shot blocker," Czar LaPhonso said of the King. "But I don't think he made me alter my shot too much. I think I had to show some people a few things tonight and I did. But I would still rather



er have won the game."

The personal stats looked like this: Czar LaPhonso — 32 minutes played, 26 points on 12 of 25 shooting from the field and 2 of 3 from the line; 19 rebounds (8 offensive, 11 defensive); 2 blocks; 1 steal; 4 fouls.

King Alonzo — 30 minutes played; 20 points on 9 of 12 shooting from the field and 2 of 6 from the line (missed on three-point attempt); 10 rebounds (4 offensive, 6 defensive); 8 blocks; 1 assist; 1 steal; 2 fouls.

"I don't think it was a personal war between us," King Alonzo said. "It was two teams playing hard. Our guys really wanted it. There was a lot of intensity on our bench, kind of like in the state championship game last year."

"We played hard and I'm not that disappointed we lost because they have a great team," Czar LaPhonso said.

"But I always come to win." Czar LaPhonso was charged up over the meeting with King Alonzo, who has been called the best high school player since an old general named Lew Alcindor — who still fights under the royal title of Kareem Abdul-Jabbar.

— and maybe the best ever. He has also been compared with Patrick Ewing and Bill Russell. Mourning blocked 27 shots in a summer league game this year. Czar LaPhonso went right to the basket and scored some early. He also had some shots

rejected by those incredibly long arms of the King. The Czar sometimes went up on one side of the basket but reached around for a reverse layup to use the basket as a shield. King Alonzo incredibly even blocked one of those.

"I do those reverse moves all the time," Czar LaPhonso said. "It wasn't anything special for him."

Even though his performance was one that got the 9,917 spectators at Kiel reacting with thumbs up, King Alonzo was a little disappointed. There are very high standards for a warrior with his reputation.

"I wasn't into this game like I should have been," he said. "I'm not in real good condition right now and I was walking down the court at one point. They call me the best high school player in the country but I sure didn't play like it tonight."

If the King was disappointed

in his personal performance, the Czar was disappointed in the final score. And as might be expected, the game came down to the likes of Worsley, Bradford and the tiny Fuller.

"He's like Muggsy Bogues," King Alonzo said of his 5-3 teammate, referring to the Washington Bullets' guard who is also 5-3. "He's just a sophomore but he really hustles. And he got the big free throws for us."

And when the Czar and the King had finished reliving the war, they went back to their armies and the real business at hand — defending their own territory in the form of state championships.

But somewhere down the line, they will likely do battle again, either at Czar LaPhonso's fortress in northern Indiana (Notre Dame) or King Alonzo's castle in the fair District of Columbia (Georgetown).

En garde.

Ryterski letters at Monmouth

Eric Ryterski of Granite City has been awarded a letter in varsity football from Monmouth College in Monmouth, Ill.

Ryterski played tight end as a freshman for the Fighting Scots and caught four passes for 36 yards and one touchdown while playing in 10 games.

"Eric is probably blessed with the best overall skills of any of our tight ends," said head coach Kelly Kane. "He got a lot of playing time as a freshman."

Monmouth finished the season

with a 9-1 record and won the Midwest Conference South Division with a 7-0 mark. The Fighting Scots were ranked as high as 18th nationally among NCAA Division III football teams this season.

Ryterski is a 1987 graduate of Granite City High School and caught 19 passes for 197 yards as a senior for the 1986 Southwestern Conference champions. He is the son of Jerome and Gloria Ryterski of Granite City.

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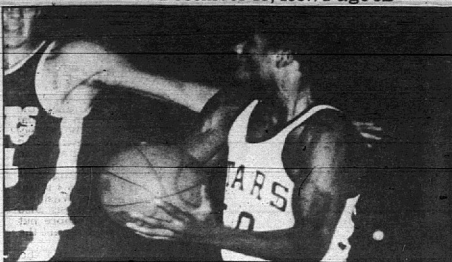
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DARWIN MONTANA controls the ball before he fouled out — for the Stars against Three Rivers on Thursday at the GCC gym. (Photo by Pam Doeppke)

Gass on binge of 300 games

Like any other athletes, bowlers can go into slumps or they can get hot.

Bill Gass Jr. is on fire.

Gass, 38, of Granite City, celebrated the birth of his first child by going on a binge. Not a drinking binge, mind you, but a binge of perfect games at the bowling alley.

His daughter was born Oct. 12. By the time she was 18 days old, her father had bowled a 300 at the Northland alleys in St. Louis. On Nov. 10, he did it again at Bowland in Granite City. Then on Dec. 1, it happened again at Bowland.

"I'm just in a real good groove now," said Gass in an understatement. "I had three in one year before. That was in the 1981-82 season."

Yes, but never three perfects in 32 days. Gass has now bowled nine perfect games in his career, with all but the one at Northland on Oct. 30 coming at Bowland. His first came on Oct. 10, 1979.

Gass bowls in a His & Her league at Bowland on Tuesdays.

"I don't know if the birth of my daughter really inspired me or not," Gass said. "I've gotten some breaks and have felt good bowling."

Montana's foul problems hurt in Stars' losses

By Dave Whaley
Executive sports editor

Terry Collins doesn't have to be reminded that good players are more useful in the game than on the bench.

He had that fact thrown in his face twice in two nights this week. And the result was two more losses for the 3-6 Granite City Campus Stars.

The Stars lost to Jefferson (Mo.) 56-53 on a three-point shot by Cedric Reynolds with four seconds left on Wednesday. Then Granite City lost a 10-point lead in the last ten minutes at home on Thursday in an 83-77 loss to nationally-ranked Three Rivers.

On both occasions, the Stars' key player, Darwin Montana, was on the bench for the final minutes after fouling out.

"Montana is our key guy right now," said Collins, whose team has now lost six straight since a 3-0 start. "There's no doubt he is the sparkplug, but we just didn't respond well enough in either

WEDNESDAY 28 29-52
GCC 14, Carle 12, Stevens 15, Ware 12, Jordan 8, Martin 2, P.O. 23 (2 Spoilers), P.T. 4.
JEFFERSON: Mags 13, Reynolds 12, Robertson 12, Williams 7, Faison 5, Reddick 8, Cotton 2, P.O. 21 (2 Spoilers), P.T. 4, P.O. 27.

game after he fouled out."

On Wednesday, the 6-2 sophomore from Chicago Marshall High School picked up his fourth foul with 12 minutes left and the Stars holding an eight-point lead. Granite City hung on for a while before Montana returned only to pick up his fifth foul.

Reynolds finally sank the winner, although Charles Claggett had a chance at the other end for a tying three-pointer that just missed.

On Thursday, Montana picked up his fourth foul and quickly followed with his fifth before Collins had a chance to pull him out.

"If the official had been a lit-

THURSDAY 42 41-33
GCC 21, Johnson 21, Ison 10, Paschere 12, Terry 10, Ware 10, Harrison 8, Gertson 4, Cobia 2, P.O. 11 (1 Spoiler), P.T. 5, P.O. 17.
THREE RIVERS: Johnson 21, Ison 10, Paschere 12, Terry 10, Ware 10, Harrison 8, Gertson 4, Cobia 2, P.O. 11 (1 Spoiler), P.T. 5, P.O. 17.

tle slower in putting the ball back in play or if our sub had gotten to the scorer's table a little quicker, we might have saved him from that last foul," Collins said.

Three Rivers, now 12-1, took the lead with four minutes to go and hung on.

"We outplayed them for 30 minutes so it hurts to lose like that," Collins said. "They were up by three at halftime, but we really got to them in the second half to get that lead. Montana was outstanding with his pressure and it just killed us when we lost him."

James Gordon and Don Stevanus had good games inside

against a Three Rivers front line that Collins said was very impressive.

"They looked like Louisville up front," he said. "Fred Johnson (21 points) will probably be a junior college All-American. But James and Don did good jobs battling with their big people."

"We played real well, but we still need to get over the hump and win one."

Jefferson is 8-2 and beat Moberly while suffering close losses to Three Rivers and Wabash, so the Stars played two competitive games against quality competition with no results. They hosted State Community College on Saturday.

"They don't have a real good record, so we're looking at it as a game we need to win," Collins said. "Montana has to learn not to foul as much and our other players have to realize they need to step in more because he can't do it for 40 minutes."

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